"KAR" Kansas Amateur Radio "KAR"

September 2009 issue

Hi gang, The North Central Kansas ARClub did it again! 370 hams registered for the ARRL Ks state convention at Salina. Full house of swap tables. The ARRL Forum had around 80 in the meeting and in the Section Meeting that followed.

Stan WAØCCW, President of the Kansas Nebraska Radio Club announced Dave WØFCL the 2009 Kansas Amateur of the Year. I said announced because Dave had gone on vacation before any one could drag him to the meeting. You can say congrats to Dave on 3920 kHz at 6 PM and 6:30 PM daily on the Ks WX net and the KSBNet. I don't have a photo of Dave at this time to share with you but hoping some one will send KAR one.

My son Kevin NØFNL took me to the convention. He brought his camera along and I will share a few photos with you. Many of us met at Applebee's at 6 PM for a nice dinner. We had ice-cream at a ice-cream parlor across the street from our Fairfield Inn B4 we hit the hay for some ZZZs……..

Our ARRL Midwest Director Bruce KØBJ and Chuck KØBOG from our ARRL headquarters fielded and answered many ham radio questions in the ARRL meeting. Chuck's home town is Gt Bend, Ks.

Ron KBØDTI our ARRL Ks Section Manager called the Section meeting to order. See his report else where.

Kent WØWEW, State MARS director and John KAØJMO Regional 7 MARS meeting was a great success.

Sunday morning at 11 AM I tuned up on 3540 kHz and waited until I heard KØASA of the Kansas **Pony Express event** make his first call and answered and was his first contact for this year. Jim KØNK has put on the event for several years as well as going into our school and demonstrating ham radio to the youth. Ron KBØDTI made the second contact. Hope many of you did TOOooooo.

◆**SET** Simulated Emergency Test is October 3 and 4. I would like to see the ECs who are at the grass roots of any emergency or disaster we might have see if they can communicate further than their repeaters by using their ORSs in their ARES group to originate simulated emergency messages that can go into our state wide nets. Talk to your DEC, SEC and SM about getting out further than your repeaters and become a part of the bigger picture like the state of Kansas or other states. Test your reach. Ur ed……

◆I received a letter from Dave WØFCL with a news paper article and a note which follows …….

Orlan,

Good publicity for Great Bend hams.

Dave Doonan KIØNN is the S. B ARC President. I was not involved in these classes.

73, Dave WØFCL **TU Dave for passing that along to KAR**

Published in the "Great Bend Tribune" of August 27, 2009, the Golden Belt ARC sponsored an Amateur Radio licensing class and 4 members of the Barton County CERT program obtained their Technician Class license.

◆SB SPACE ARL ARLS006
> ARLS006 SuitSat-2 Now Called ARISSat-1
<snip>
Russian **Orlan** spacesuit fitted with an Amateur Radio transmitter --
> sparked the imagination of students and the general public and
> turned into a public relations bonanza for Amateur Radio. ARISS
> hoped to capitalize on the concept by building an even better
> SuitSat that will include ham radio transponders. **The Russians are still using my name.**

◆Help, save me postage. If you know the following, tell them I need their new email address.
n0rwb@arrl.net Unknown user.

◆**You will love this one!** **Subject:** The Amazing Rodenator - priceless from TC

From Tom WØEAJ.....
Watch both videos (they're back-to-back).... http://www.rodenator.com/

The perfect tool for all occasions.

Don't touch that dial.... after the video there is more, an explanation
of how it works……. Orlan

◆Cake Mixes & Toxins- ****PLEASE READ**** Pass this on to **ALL** in your address book. You never know whose life you may save by doing so. For those of you at work, PLEASE remember to check your cupboards when you get home tonight!!!

This is confirmed on Snopes http://www.snopes.com/medical/toxins/pancake.asp

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Jerry Dwyer – NF9L
Publisher - KC Ham Radio **Jerry, I will put your site on my URL list.**

◆You gotta see this one, Installing a Long Wire on the house http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jApyZ4LcKpI

◆I hope you and others can work lots of /140 stations >>>http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/09/02/11050/?nc=1
Chuck KØBOG - ARRL

0000 UTC September 2 until 2400 UTC September 9 (1700 CDT September 1 until 1700 CDT September 8) HPM/140 Birthday Celebration Event Coming Next Month

<http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/08/17/11025/> <snip> from "LL"

☐**The KAR newsletter** and back issues can be down loaded from >>> http://ksarrl.org
Please visit http://www.cenkares.org/ for other Kansas ham radio info.

☐Kansas Section News Click >>> **http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=KS**

☐Keep up with the world of ham radio, CLICK >>>> **http://www.arrl.org/**

☐**NF9L** Kansas City page http://kcHamRadio.com

73, Orlan wØoyh UR KAR ed and ARRL Ks Ast. Section Mgr. w0oyh@arrl.net

ARRL KS SECTION MANAGER - Ron KBØDTI

Ron's text is found at >>> **http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=KS**

You will find Ron on the Ks Weather Net (as NCS some times) on 3920 kHz at 6:00 PM and on the Ks Sideband Net at 6:30 PM and on the QKS CW net at 7 & 10 PM on 3574 kHz.

ARRL KS SECTION EMERGENCY COORDINATOR - Bob KØBXF

September 1, 2009
from the desk of K0BXF
ARRL SEC KANSAS
August rpt July activity

Hope everyone attending the state ARRL convention in Salina last month had a great time, met a lot of new friends, shared an event or so and most of all learned something new reference our great hobby of Amateur Radio.

The convention was my first big outing since my brain surgery last September. I pooped out before the last event was completed and Caroline had to drive me back home to get rested up again.

I did remember at least one thing that stuck in my mind from the KS Section meeting, Ron KB0DTI, our Kansas Section Manager made the statement reference activity," BACK TO THE BASICS." In fact I thought about it all the way back home.

I would hope that all our fellow hams that teach Ham Radio Classes attempt to enthuse all participants to really get involved in the many facets of the hobby and not just train them to make more participants in the local Emergency Management Emergency communications system.

Whoa, you say, I thought that was what the SEC and EC's were supposed to do. Well yes it is but if some of the basics are missing than the quality of operator we make is just not up to PAR. Perhaps up to PAR is the same as back to basics, in a sense.

We can become too professional in what we do and loose some of the enthusiasm for the hobby in the process, causing burn out too early in the ham life cycle. Let us put more ooomph in the basics and make ham operators that are well trained all round ham radio enthusiasts before we turn them loose to the cruel world.

Now here is where everyone can enter the picture. Help us determine just exactly what basics we need to be sure every one entering the hobby has. What one thing impressed you the most about the hobby and got you involved in local and state activities. You help us make the list and we will help all you create better qualified hams to help all of us in the future whether it be in ARES, RACES, local Emergency Management etc.

As a starter how many of you know how to originate a message, enter it into the Ham network system properly, and are prepared to receive an answer via the same network and perhaps deliver it to the correct recipient?

What has this got to do with VHF, DX, Contesting, County Hunting, Transmitter Hunting etc, etc, etc?

Every event and phase of the hobby we participate in should maker you more qualified to enjoy your hobby of Ham Radio.

Dis-agree???? Well we want to hear from you too as to why you think so.

Seventeen ARES zones reported activity for the month of July this last month with a total of 100 net sessions, 820 QNI and 034 messages handled. RACES Net 5 QNI from five counties (Riley, McPherson, Linn, Wyandotte ,Shawnee and Army MARS had 489 on air hours and 410 messages originated.

All you old timers, how about supporting the QCWA net, Saturdays 7:30 AM right after he KWN on 3920.

Bob Summers K0BXF ARRL SEC KS
You can find Bob on the Kansas Sideband Net on 3920 kHz at 6:30 pm most evenings.

KANSAS RACES OFFICER – Joseph WDØDMV

Nr 130 R WD0DMV 9-03-09

RACES report for Sept 3 stations checking in were

NY0T	McPherson
W0PBV	Riley
KB0DTI	Linn
KD0AKT	Marshall
W0SPC	Miami
K0BXF	Wyandotte
N0LDF	Labette
WD0DMV	Shawnee

8 counties 8 QNI 1 QTC

Net meets every month on the first Thursday at 7:00 pm 3940 KHz
All stations are welcome.

73, Joseph WDØDMV - State RACES Officer wd0dmv@arrl.ner

Joseph can be found on the Kansas Sideband Net on 3920 kHz most evenings at 6:30 PM.

KANSAS STATE ARMY MARS DIRECTOR – Kent AAA7KS/AAR7IP

Army MARS
September 2009

Kansas Army MARS scored the top percentage among four states' membership participation during a Message Contest held on Region 7 Army MARS nets, 27 August to 01 September 2009.

Almost half the Kansas membership participated, well ahead of second-place Iowa. Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, and Missouri comprise Army MARS Region 7.

More than one hundred messages were originated in Region 7 during the contest.

Kansas participants were: Kent Dickinson K0WEW, Wilford Doud K0EQD, Larry Eker WA0YQM, John Halladay KA0JMO, Elden Hunter KB0RVO, Don Moore W5FFK, Ric Nelson KA3LOC, Bud Waugh N0APJ, Ed Williams WB0LSW, and Mike Woolverton WB0ZPW.

This Contest created a pressure-filled training environment to challenge the operating skill of net members and Net Control Stations alike. From day-to-day traffic, to detailed exercise Incident Notification reports, messages were passed by radio using voice, digital, and CW.

This kind of training prepares Army MARS members to accomplish today's Mission: "To operate and provide adjunct communications capabilities to support Army, Joint and Federal disaster response to civil authorities as prescribed by DoD," as well as "to prepare for, train, and manage Army and Joint Civil Support Disaster Response."

To support Army MARS, start by visiting: http://www.ksarmymars.org

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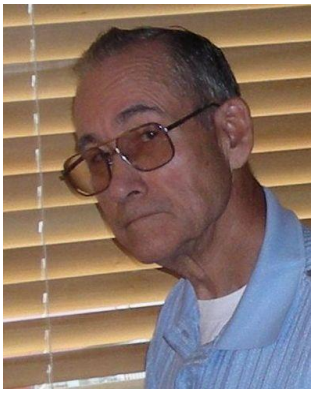
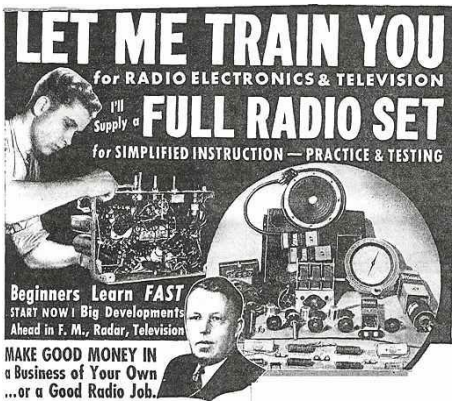
ARMY MARS REAGON 7 DIRECTOR – John AAA7RD



Orlan,

Just to report, we did have a little message handling contest here in Region 7 last week, 24-29 August, and there were 102 messages originated (mostly Incident Notification messages from members), using Voice, MT63 and CW.

John Halladay...AAA7RD
"Army MARS - Voice of the Army"



KANSAS REPEATERS

Orlan, I did not know if you received a copy of this list, I think we should assist Brian in keeping the Repeater group together, Huh??? Perhaps deserves a spot in KAR for this request??

Bob KØBXF **TU Bob for passing this on to KAR. Orlan**

First, sorry about sending those emails in the clear...lots of them bounced anyway!

3 folks aren't listed in the FCC database anymore, anyone know them? :
KF0EW, N0OUN, W0CWJ.

If you have any email info on the following folks, please send it along:

AA0YM K0BAI K0BHN K0CKN K0DXY K0ENU K0FFR K0GKL K0GXL K0WZD KA0RT KB0DZB

KB0MH KB0OKR KB0SGY KC0OXR KC5AZ KF0TL KZ0V N0CBG N0FBS N0FEK N0HDB N0LFN

N0PHB W0YXC WA0LXV WB0OUE WB0SVM WD0AVA WD0BRZ

Also, I have a bunch of repeaters than haven't had an update in a long time, so if you have any information about the following machines, and whether they should continue to be coordinated, please let me know:

AA0HJ 147.1200 Phillipsburg	WA0JBW 146.7600 Winfield	N0KSC 146.7300 Salina
K0ENU 147.3000 Norton	WA0VJR 444.6000 Wallace	N0LFN 146.8350 Meriden
K0HQ 444.0750 Stilwell	WA0VJR 147.0900 Wallace	N0UZT 146.8800 Junction City
K0PKT 53.7900 Pittsburg	WB0OAO 146.7000 Pratt	N5NIQ 443.8500 McPherson
K0VEV 146.8650 Garnett	WD0BRZ 444.9000 Norton	W0RGB 147.1500 El Dorado
KB0HH 147.3000 Anthony	WD0BRZ 147.0000 Norton	W0TVJ 145.1700 Chapman
KB0HH 443.4500 Anthony	WK0DX 147.1800 Plains	WA0RJE 146.9400 Wichita
KF0EW 444.4000 Great Bend	AC0I 147.0600 Greenleaf	WA0RJE 444.0000 Wichita
N0LRA 442.4000 Hesston	K0LW 442.6000 Lenexa	WB0LUN 444.4500 Sterling
N0OUN 147.2850 Wichita	KB0KQQ 147.2400 Hugoton	WB0SVM 146.9250 Concordia
N0YKR 444.9250 Great Bend	KB5MDH 147.0150 Kiowa	WB0UUB 223.9400 Goessel
W0CWJ 147.3000 Junction City	KB5MDH 442.1500 Kiowa	WD0AVA 145.3500 Norton
W0TVJ 443.1500 Chapman	N0CBG 444.4000 Topeka	WD0DDG 146.8050 Overbrook
WA0JBW 147.0000 Arkansas City	N0FEK 444.1250 Isabel	WD5IBQ 444.0000 Hickok
WA0JBW 145.1900 Winfield	N0HM 421.2500 Wichita	

Thanks for your help & 73!

Brian L Short, PMP--KC0BS
JOCO ARES EC kc0bs.com, hamclass.org, ks0jc.com, k0ham.com, ksrepeater.com, kcaprs.org

http://www.ksrepeater.com

Send us your updated information!

73 de KC0BS@arrl.net

AROUND THE SECTION:

MS-150 Bike Ride

Hello everyone
It's that time of year again. The MS 150 bike ride is coming up **Sept 12 and 13**. It starts in Derby and goes though Rose hill, Douglas, Down toward Winfield and on the Dexter for the 100 mile ride on Saturday. This is a two day ride that takes lots of help to get the job done. I need Sag drivers and rest stop people. The Sag drivers will be running in between the rest stop to pickup any riders that are having problems and take them to the next rest stop. We are the eyes for the MS people to let them know how the ride is going. Basically the rest stops we keep an eye on the riders coming in to each stop and look for riders that are having trouble. Plus if the rest stop needs more supplies like food and water. After the rest stop closes, then you might take the supplies to another rest stop that needs them or take them to Winfield so they can use them the next day. It looks like there are 9 rest stops to put someone at. Rose Hill, Douglas, Rock , Wolfe private residence, Jim's short stop, Country View Elem school, Liberty township hall, Dexter community building and Carnes private residence. Mobile rig will be best for this ride. We will be using two repeaters. We will start with the 146.850 – offset PL 103.5 until we can't use it any more, then we will switch over to the 145.190 –

offset there isn't a PL for this one. No one has to work both days unless you would like to. The more people that work both days the easier it gets for all of us. That way everyone knows what to do. There will be the gym at Baden square in Winfield for people to spend the night. All you need is a pad and or sleeping bag. The gym floor is hard. On Saturday they will have lunch for us. Saturday evening they have a great dinner and banquet going on at Baden square. Then they turn around and serve breakfast for everyone on Sunday morning, and then they will have lunch. The food is good. If anyone would like to help, please send an email to n6zop@cox.net and let me know what you would like to do and what days you can work. Looks like I need 9 rest stops people and about 6 sag drivers. I need to know as soon as possible that way I will know just how much help I will have. Thanks to all.
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N6ZOP
Roger Bailey
316-393-8416
n6zop@cox.net
RACES Digital officer
Sedgwick County SATERN Coordinator
Have a great day

AROUND THE COUNTRY:

I have recently been appointed the Net Manager for the 10th Region Traffic Net.

We have restarted this net and need the support of all sections involved for this to be a successful operation.

Current schedule is a Cycle 1&2 format at 10:00 AM and 3:45 PM on 7.275, daily. I have attached a NCS schedule, as you can see we do not have a NCS for all sessions. I try to cover as many of the open spots as I can, but cannot cover all.

We welcome all checkins with or without traffic and would greatly appreciate anyone who would like to become a NCS.

I can be contacted via; kc0vtt@gmail.com or kc0vtt@arrl.ner or 319 283 1335.

73s/Thanks
Jerry KC0VTT
10th Region Net Manager

◆-----Original Message-----
From: Bob K0NR - email list [mailto:list@k0nr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2009 12:45 PM
To: RMVHF+; GMCC; ppraanet@mailman.qth.net
Subject: [RMVHF] Fwd: Colorado 14er Event - Pikes Peak report

Pikes Peak - Colorado 14er Event - August 9, 2009

We had a very capable crew on Pikes Peak this year, operating 4 stations:
1) 2M FM 2) HF (20 Meters) 3) 50 MHz (mostly SSB) 4) 222 MHz FM, 440 MHz FM

This had to be the best weather for the event in years, with no one

reporting being chased off the summit by approaching storms.
Really odd considering the stormy weather patterns we have seen this year.

Most of the 2M FM contacts used callsign KD0BIM,
everything else was K0YB.

Summary of Pikes Peak Logs:

Band	QSOs	14ers	Comments
2M FM	83	13	**Best DX: K4S Mt Sunflower and N0KQY in Kansas**
50 MHz	21	1	Only 14er: KQ6EE on Elbert Short band opening to Michigan snagged a few stations
222 MHz	3	1	Only 14er: KQ6EE on Elbert
HF (20M)	17	1	Only 14er: N0B on Humboldt
Total:	124	13	

We clearly missed some of the 14ers that were on the air.
Based on my count, there were 16 summits on the air:

Elbert, Massive, Grays, Antero, Torreys, Quandary, Evans, Princeton,
Yale, Bross, Pikes, Humboldt, Bierstadt, Redcloud, San Luis, Huron

Let me know if I missed any.

Thanks to everyone that came out for the event!

73, Bob K0NR **TU for the report Dale**

QKS - THE ARRL KS CW TFC NET OF THE NTS

Net operated daily at 7 and 10 pm on 3547 kHz. 7 pm is the out going tfc into the NTS system and incoming at 10 pm. You are welcome to check in with or without tfc. Our manager is James, NBØZ I am Net control on Monday, Fridays and Saturdays at 10 PM. Been doing that for 30+ years... Orlan

KANSAS STATE ARRL CONVENTION:

AUGUST 16 2010

MAP >>> http://www.centralksarc.com/prnt.php_files/mapimage.png

More Info & Central Kansas ARC >>> http://www.centralksarc.com

ARRL Forum with Chuck KØBOG and Bruce KØBJ

Jim KØNK with the SATERN trailer

Our SM Ron KBØDTI and the ARRL booth

HA - HA - HA - HA – HA

How is it one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?

I used to eat a lot of natural foods until I learned that most people die of natural causes.

Healthy is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die.

How is it one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?

If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, then what is baby oil made from?

Walking can add minutes to your life. This enables you at 85 years old to spend an additional 5 months in a nursing home at $7000 per month.

I have to walk early in the morning, before my brain figures out what I'm doing..

◆**DON'T STICK YOUR ELBOW**
OUT SO FAR
IT MAY GO HOME
IN ANOTHER CAR.
BURMASHAVE

TRAINS DON'T WANDER
ALL OVER THE MAP
'CAUSE NOBODY SITS
IN THE ENGINEER'S LAP
BurmaShave

◆ These sentences appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services:

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.'
The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'

Our youth basketball team is back in action Wednesday at 8 PM in the recreation hall. Come out and watch us kill Christ the King.

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been canceled due to a conflict.

SILENT KEYS:

Bill Kinney, N0FEN -- obit in today's Wichita Eagle.

W0EB

William H. Kinney (Bill)

Kinney, William H. (Bill), age 66, ret. Boeing electrical engineer, passed away August 21, 2009. Memorial Services will be Thursday, 4 p.m. at the Seventh Day Adventist Church, 820 W. 27th St. South. Survived by his brother, Donald H. Kinney, of Wichita, and his dog, Stogo. Share memories at watsonfuneral.com

◆Jack G. Rupert - K0PRE

Jack Gerald Rupert, 84, Overland Park, Kan., passed away Monday, August 17, 2009, at his home. Family and friends will gather from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, at the Amos Family Chapel of Shawnee. Cremation. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Kansas City Hospice Foundation, 9221 Ward Parkway, Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64114. Mr. Rupert was born May 6, 1925, in Omaha, Neb., to Lawrence and Freda (Sharrett) Rupert. Jack attended Baker and Kansas State Universities and was a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity. He was a veteran of the US Army Air Corps during WWII. Jack was an industrial engineer with Hallmark Cards retiring after 35 years of service. He had many hobbies including photography, fishing, Ham radio and accumulating toys. Survivors include his wife, Pat (Palmer) Rupert; son, Scott Rupert, his wife Carol, Overland Park; two daughters, Carrie Borgman, her husband Randy, Shawnee, Kan., and Diane Silvey, Lake Ozark, Mo.; sister, Joanne Gaar, Westwood, Kan.; seven grandchildren, Dan Silvey, Kim Silvey, Travis Rupert, Tyler Rupert, Trey Spencer, Danielle Torres and Jill Torres; and three great grandchildren, Dominick Silvey, Christian Silvey and Wynn Generally. Online condolences may be expressed at www.Amosfamily.com Arr.: The Amos Family Chapel of Shawnee, (913) 631-5566.

Published in Kansas City Star on August 19, 2009 **<snip> "LL"**

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/kansascity/obituary.aspx?n=jack-g-rupert&pid=131556543

◆Dwayne L. Hageman - K0LLS

Dwayne L. Hageman, 66, Lenexa, KS, passed away Sat., Aug. 15, 2009. Memorial services 10 a.m., Friday, Aug. 21, St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 6422 Santa Fe Drive, Overland Park. Inurnment Leavenworth National Cemetery with military honors. Contr. American Diabetes Assn. Arr.: McGilley & Hoge Chapel, 913-642- 3565.

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◆**NØFEN - Bill Kinney**, Wichita

◆**KØPRE - Jack Rupert,Overland Park**

AT YOUR REQUEST

I receive a lot of newsletters and would like to make them available to you on request, the following is a list……

- *FEEDBACK* JOHNSON COUNTY RADIO AMATEURS CLUB, Inc.
- QNU H.A.R.C. Hiawatha Amateur Radio Club
- The VHF Transmitter - Keystone VHF Club, Inc. W3HZU Founded 1955 – York, PA
- The Monitor *Amateur Radio Clubs in Virginia's Central Shenandoah Valley*
- QRZ - Pilot Knob Amateur Radio Club • KS0LV • Leavenworth, Kansas
- SANDHILLS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB NEWSLETTER
- Hams and Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions Jim N0XDA
- TROJAN ARC HARMONIC - Editor Bruce Frahm KØBJ Publisher Mike Albers KØFJ

To download and view the September issue of WorldRadio Online, go to the CQ home page at <www.cq-amateur-radio.com> and click on the "WorldRadio Online" box. There are several options for viewing/downloading the issue. See the instructions on the welcome page. You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader in order to read WorldRadio Online. If you do not have it, scroll to the bottom of the welcome page and you will find a link for a free download.

The Grounded Grid >>> http://warc1.org/grid/2009-09.pdf

Make your request to w0oyh@arrl.net

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Good evening,

I have just had forwarded to me today a copy of your August 2009 amateur radio newsletter. John Bennett suggested I send you a message and have you put me on the list to get your e-mail version of the newsletter. I live in Leavenworth KS.

He also said I should pass this piece of news along to you. I've been studying since late last year, around the holidays, and am going to try taking the test for my Technician license at the end of August. By the way, I'm blind and have been all my life.

Thanks. I'll include my contact info below for if you want to get in touch with me.

Kelly Stanfield

The club here in Leavenworth is how I found out about your news letter. I have also signed up with them to take my test at the end of this month.

Kelly

Just thought I would let you know that I passed my Technician test Fridy evening.

Kelly Stanfield

the blind new Ham in Leavenworth

I figured all of you folks would want to know. I was able to look up my new Ham radio call sign today. It is: kd0iwm.

Uncle Joe, could you pass it on to Grandpa for me?

Kelly **Congrats on the new license and the call, also glad to have you among out readers. Orlan**

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Jerry Dwyer – NF9L
Publisher - KC Ham Radio **Welcome aboard Jerry and got ur URL listed at the top.**

◆KEEP EM COMING OC THE KAR IS A GREAT ERAG. THE ONLY PLACES I HAVE BEEN IN KS IS WOODRUFF AND PHILIPSBURG. I USED TO LIVE IN OXFORD NE. I WAS BORN NEAR CARROLL NE 30M N E OF NORFOLK 3 DAYS BEFORE THE BIG BLIZZARD OF 48/49. OJ
Orlin KØOJ **That makes you a neighbor of Johnny Carson. I have been there.**

◆The Grounded Grid for September is now on-line at:

http://warc1.org/grid/2009-09.pdf

As always, you can get previous Grids by visiting

http://warc1.org/grid/

David Hagood, N0YKG
Webmaster, Wichita Amateur Radio Club
david.hagood@gmail.com
webmaster@warc1.org

◆Roger, and thanks for the KAR.
Nice publication and very well done.

Dave
N0DEX/AAT7WE NE

Thank you very much,

Well done!

Dave
N0DEX / AAT7WE NE **New member sent to us by KØOJ in Colorado. Glad to have U on board Dave. Orlan**

◆Thanks Orlan, I will spread the word here so perhaps there will be some CT check-ins. It was sure good to see you and your son. Probably the best visiting time was the early morning breakfast, it's always good to remember the tube days! Have a good weekend.

73,

Chuck, KØBOG ARRL Hq **I hope U get to work both the QSO Party and the Pony Express Chuck.**

Hi Orlan,

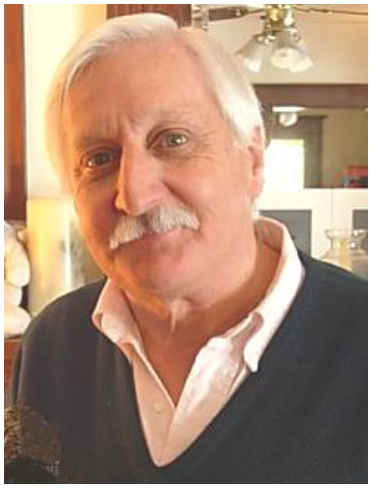
Sorry, I didn't hear the Pony Express station. We did manage to get 25 counties in the QSO party and even managed one CW contact, KØKU, the KU club station.

73, Chuck, KØBOG **I worked them for the first time cuz they were on 80M TOOoooooo**

◆Thanks for the background on Tom. Through your newsletter article I called him to repair my ATAS antenna. Thank you for that, too. **My pleasure Dick.!**

73,
Dick w9ybh

Tom's Key-Strokes - WØEAJ Denver, Co. Displaced Ks neighbor



This ain't Snopes, but I CAN verify that the infamous B-A speaker story is correct.

IT'S ABSOLUTELY TRUE!

Back in about 1975, while I was working for B-A's Pro-Industrial division, I was transferred into the regular service department's spaces, and I would on occasion work on "consumer" equipment when we got bogged down with such work. Normally, I only worked on Pro audio & video... cameras, video recording gear, Ampex tape machines, and our Johnson & Standard lines of 2-way radio. I recall that (fortunately) this story took place in the Wintertime, as I was wearing a green courdouroy 3-piece suit (hey, it was the 70's and I was intent on being very "cool" to the ladies, and trying my best to look like a professional on service calls).

Normally, I could look into the Service Office through a window, as my bench was right next to it... Also, sometimes, if I happened to be in the service reception area, and everybody else was busy or

on the phone, I'd talk to a walk-in customer if nothing else, to be courteous and ask them to wait. Well, one day it was this really skinny "dude" in a shiny suit, alligator shoes, & a "stingy-brim" hat with a feather - I'm not being rude here, it was just that he was "putting on the air" and being really "cool" in his demeanor, as he presented this very inexpensive B-A brand speaker for service. It was a 6" unit in a wooden cabinet, so not very costly, but interestingly, those silly things DID sound pretty good; See, all of the "BA" brand speakers carried a LIFETIME GUARANTEE, so taking advantage of it... well, "dude" decides that *sumpthin's wrong wit my tunes* (that is an ABSOLUTE QUOTE - I still remember him)... I did indeed do what Orlan said, in that I put it on the bench and connected some audio - it sounded really weak and "tinny", but the cone measured about 7.2 ohms DC, so I knew the voice-coil was okay. I decided to open it up and see what might have caused the problem, as we'd seen them full of shaving cream, Coke, and pencil holes... LUCKY FOR ME, I took it out in the install bay for disassembly, as I always blew stuff out with compressed air to see better, and I hated working on dirty stuff. MAN... when I opened that sucker, it looked like a storage vault for **ORKIN**. HUNDREDS of roaches POURED OUT, and I was indeed, doing the "goat dance". I recall dancing around like a demon-possessed madman, trying to shake 'em off and out of my clothes and hair... I ended up taking my clothes off OUT THERE, to the great laughter of the rest of the shop guys, shaking all the critters out, then getting dressed again after determining that no more of 'em were hiding in my skivvies. As quite a few had survived my "vibration test", I opened the install bay garage-door, and used that airhose to BLOW 'em all out into the Winter cold. The hooting, hollering, and guffawing was still going on behind the door to the install-bay.

After doing my "Orkin Man" imitation, a further inspection revealed that the hungry little beggars had eaten the ENTIRE CONE away, and only those little braided-flexible wires to the voice coil (complete with the glue spots) were there - just hanging in free space, exactly where they'd been when the cone was still in existence. For some reason, the cloth grille was not appetizing, maybe being synthetic fabric, and bad for digestion.

My boss, John Fife - **WØOSD** (SK), laughed so hard, his nose started to run from the tears coming out of his eyes...

I put the damned thing back together and we called "dude" to come pick up his speaker - the ticket was written up as *"not covered under warranty, due to insect abuse",* but we offered it back to him if he paid the $200 to our pest-control folks, for spraying the garage. I remember that he realized that his previously prepared argument wasn't gonna' hold any water with us, especially when he saw the attached bag of dead-roaches taped onto his speaker..... (the bag said: "Here are your Old Parts).

He turned on a heel, and left the store.

73 - Tom

◆Shortcut to: http://news.cnet.com/8301-13578_3-10320096-38.html

Radio is relatively WIRELESS.... and quite mobile, these days. Sempre Paratus

◆Written for "The Morning Show" on an AM station out here in Denver.

Hi folks,

I got one of those roundy-round Emails... you know, the kind that reference something a celebrity said, and they've been sent to you.. oh, at least 10,000 times by well meaning friends and acquaintances - kind of like the USS New York?

Well, I sent this response to my cousin; he grew up on the farm, just like I did, and according to Jay Leno, we who grew up in America between 1930 and 1980, who had a pretty ideal childhood, would never make it today, with all the political correctness, "purified water", non-fat milk, eggless-eggs, and tofu patties.

Thus.... here's my offering for the BREAKFAST CLUB, about what WE kids had to put up with, who arrived around 1943.....

Yep.... we chewed raw wheat, ate carrots & radishes out of the garden that'd been fertilized with cow and chicken manure - ate chickens that ate bugs and snakes - swam in brown pond water - cooked & cleaned with water that came out of a well that had NO chlorination or fluoridation - walked on gravel-roads, and in the dirt & mud in bare feet - fell down & didn't tell our Moms, 'cause she'd give us hell for doing something stupid - crashed our bicycles & lived to tell about it...and nobody got sued - ate lots of eggs, beef, pork, bacon, NON chemically protected chickens & home-canned foods and never had to go to the ER for a cough or cold (didn't get many colds, anyway... even though the upstairs bedrooms were REALLY COLD in the Winter) - grumbled when we stepped in fresh cowpies, but it never seemed to hurt us very much - and spent many, many years WITHOUT air conditioning, along WITH oil-burning & wood burning stoves... no worse for the wear.

Learned to put our own wiggling worms on very sharp fishhooks, sometimes getting stuck - learned to use a pocket knife, and **DID** get cut - learned to shoot GUNS..... some times even had 'em in school.... and NOBODY ever got killed - ate WILD rabbits, squirrels, ducks, turkeys, pheasant, & fish (that came from muddy water in creeks and ponds)..... and even helped clean their innards out so we COULD eat 'em.... and nobody died (except the critters).

Yep.... it was an awful World, wasn't it? Gee, I sure miss it.

Tom

"the chief"

◆My Father related a story which is NOT documented, concerning the Japanese Foreign Minister - Shigamitsu, as he walked on a wooden leg. The MISSOURI BB-63, was one of the very few ships in the Navy which had a "ship's dog" (typically it's a CAT... the better to chase down and destroy rats)...a little terrier of sorts - My Uncle Ben Smatla ADC, USN (ret), deceased... was on one of the flying bridges and related as how the dog, smelling the Jap minister, broke loose from the sailor holding him, ran straight for Shigamitsu, and BIT the guy on his wooden leg - Ben said it was all the assembled officers and men could do, not to crack up.

Shortcut to: http://navymemorial.us1.list-manage.com/track/click?u=a2a8b9a3f94295531cd903c43&id=3e4a7739d6&e=90e300a816

Happy "VJ" day -

Remember those who served..... and fell

◆Here are many ICOM manuals and schematics, not normally available. It's the only place I found a FREE schematic for the PS-125, as used with the 746 on up.. http://www.qsl.net/icom/manuals.html Tom

◆ Lots of useful info for ICOM radio gear. http://www.radioamateur.eu/ICOM.html Tom

◆A professor's article on the subject - neat stuff for those of us who SAT THE CIRCUITS in San Diego. http://history.sandiego.edu/GEN/local/navyradio.html Tom

◆Astounding little rig - 300 watts (output) on AM... and it's TINY. It uses ceramic-resonators instead of crystals, for frequency selection... has no VFO as such, and the whole magilla is inside this little box - power-supply, modulator, drivers, finals, et.al. They modulate the switching power supply to get the AM.

When you consider what it USED TO TAKE... i.e. Johnson Valiant, B&W 5100, BC-610... and the weight involved - this is the way of the future. http://www.k7dyy.com/

Tom - WØEAJ

PS - thank goodness it has a pilot lamp - at least SOMETHING on it, "glows in the dark"

WOW! That is great reading Tom. Keep em coming..... Orlan ur ed